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Commissioner for Patents
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Non Final Office Action mailed December 23, 2008 ("Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks. The shortened statutory due date for filing a response to the Office Action was March 23, 2009; thus a petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.